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# CityScope

*a community newsletter for the residents of Chandler*

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### Reminders:

March is Disabilities  
Awareness Month.  
Chandler's Therapeutic  
Recreation Division offers  
programs including Special  
Olympics, Unified Sports,  
Friday Night Socials, East  
Valley Cooperative Events,  
classes, and a summer day  
camp for kids with  
disabilities. Call  
(480) 782-2709  
for more information.  
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April 16-24  
is Valley Bike Week. For  
more information go to  
[www.valleymetro.org](http://www.valleymetro.org) or call  
(602) 262-RIDE (7433).  
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The Chandler Police  
Department organizes  
beat meetings for Chandler  
neighbors, covering the 14  
geographical areas in the  
City. Want to find out what  
beat you're in, or  
information about the next  
meeting? Go to  
[www.ChandlerPD.com](http://www.ChandlerPD.com) and  
click on Community  
Programs, or call  
(480) 782-4521.  
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The estimated population  
for the City of Chandler as  
of February 1, 2005, is  
231,920.

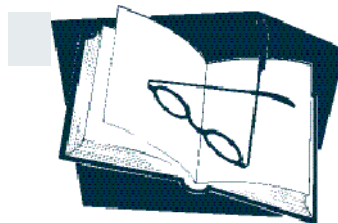
## City Rewards Conservation With Savings

Did you know that the City of Chandler has a water rate structure set up to promote conservation? To reward water thrifty residents, the first 10,000 gallons used is charged at the lowest rate. To help discourage overuse, any amounts above 10,000 is subject to a higher cost per thousand gallons.

"The system is designed to encourage residents to save water, not to punish anyone who is already doing a great job conserving," explains Water Conservation Coordinator Kathleen Moore. By detecting and repairing leaks, checking and replacing high water use fixtures, and setting automatic irrigation controllers effectively, every homeowner can save on their water bill.

One Chandler resident noticed a large drop in her water bill when she repaired some leaky valves in her irrigation system, "My water bill dropped by about \$35 a month. I was surprised fixing a leaky valve would save so much money. The savings is enough for a nice dinner out."

With the state entering its ninth year of drought, now more than ever it is important to conserve. The City is doing its part to help citizens save water and money. Please join us in this effort. For more information, contact the Water Conservation Office (480) 782-3580.



## One Book... One Month... One Goal

OneBookAz is an exciting program hosted by libraries and other partners across the state. It encourages adults throughout Arizona to read the same book and participate in a variety of discussions and programs centered on that book. The goal is to bring communities together through literature and reading.

The 2005 featured selection is: *Grand Ambition: A Novel* by Lisa Michaels. In addition, a non-fiction option is available *Sunk Without A Sound: The Tragic Colorado River Honeymoon of Glen and Bessie Hyde*, by Brad Dimock. There is even a kids selection, *Frindle*, by Andrew Clements. For more information visit one of the Chandler public libraries (see page four for Library locations), or go to the Web site: [www.chandlerlibrary.org](http://www.chandlerlibrary.org).

## 'What's Up?' Downtown

The Chandler Jazz Festival returns April 22 and 23. This year's festival will be held outdoors at Dr. A.J. Chandler Park in beautiful Historic Downtown Chandler (3 S. Arizona Ave.). There will be live jazz music, street performers and an arts and crafts fair. Admission and parking are free, so bring your lawn chairs or blankets and relax with some terrific music and more! For more information, please call (480) 782-2735 or visit [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov).

**Friday, April 22, from 5 to 9 p.m.**  
**Saturday, April 23, from Noon to 9 p.m.**

# 2003-2004 City of Chandler Financial Report Summary

## Dear Chandler Citizen:

This financial report summary provides information concerning the financial condition of the City of Chandler for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003. This information is principally extracted from Chandler's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ending June 30, 2004, upon which our auditors, Heinfeld Meech & Co., have issued their audit report.

In addition, I am pleased to inform you that Chandler has again received the prestigious Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for our June 30, 2003 financial report. A copy of the award is included in the June 2004 CAFR and the City is proud to have received the award for the twenty-second consecutive year. The award is reflective of the City's commitment to provide citizens with a complete and fair presentation of our financial affairs. Copies of Chandler's CAFR can be obtained from the Management Services Department, 55 N. Arizona Place, Suite 201. The report can also be reviewed at either the City Clerk's Office, the Downtown Chandler Public Library or on the Web at [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov).

Also included in this financial report summary is information concerning Chandler's operating and capital budgets for the past and current fiscal year. Chandler's budgeted programs and services represent our commitment of allocating City resources to maintain citizens' quality of life and prosperity in our community. Budget resources are programmed to meet the day-to-day requirements of the City as well as to facilitate progress toward our long-range goals and programs. We will continue to provide our community with essential citizen services and fiscally conservative management of our finances.

**Boyd W. Dunn**  
Mayor

## GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	<u>June 30, 2004</u>	<u>June 30, 2003</u>
Land	\$ 62,426,846	\$42,722,438
Infrastructure and Streets	117,062,070	82,267,527
Buildings and Improvements	116,102,624	92,034,810
Machinery and Equipment	32,185,005	27,394,993
Construction in Progress	7,892,881	26,800,162
	<b>\$335,669,426</b>	<b>\$271,219,930</b>

## SUMMARY OF GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITY

	<u>June 30, 2003</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>June 30, 2004</u>
General Government	\$ 22,453,334	\$ 13,168,349	\$ (1,780,359)	\$ 33,841,323
Public Safety	43,817,266	6,386,327	(341,681)	49,861,913
Community Services	77,638,688	19,335,136	(51,275)	96,922,549
Community Development	5,551,677	43,050	(18,140)	5,576,587
Public Works	94,958,803	46,652,629	(37,259)	141,574,173
Construction in Progress	26,800,162	45,051,769	(63,959,050)	7,892,881
	<b>\$271,219,930</b>	<b>\$130,637,260</b>	<b>\$ (66,187,764)</b>	<b>\$ 335,669,426</b>

The Fiscal Year 2004-05 Annual Budget and 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program are available at the Chandler Public Libraries, on the City's Web site at [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov) and at the Chandler Budget Office, located at 55 N. Arizona Pl., Suite 201. Call (480) 782-2254 for more information.

## PROPERTY TAX

During the 2003-2004 fiscal year, you paid \$11.64 per \$100 of assessed valuation in property taxes. Of this rate, only \$1.28 or 11 percent was levied by the City of Chandler.

In 2004-2005, you will pay \$11.37 per \$100 of assessed valuation in property taxes, of which only \$1.28 or 11.25 percent is levied by the City of Chandler.

In other words, only 11 cents of each property tax dollar will be for City purposes in fiscal year 2004-2005.

## Distribution of the 2003-2004 Property Tax Dollar:

0¢	19¢	70¢	11¢
State of Arizona	County, Flood Control and CAP	Chandler Unified School District & Maricopa Community College District	City of Chandler

For information on districts other than Chandler, call (480)782-2324.

## STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>June 30, 2004</u>
Cash and Investments	\$478,550,105
Receivables	22,990,243
Inventories	898,564
Restricted Assets	1,181,577
Capital Assets, net	700,798,677
Other Assets	3,990,242
Total Assets	<b>\$1,208,409,408</b>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accounts Payable	41,605,103
Deferred Revenue	3,958,666
Bonds and Loan Payable	331,682,173
Other Liabilities	16,594,985
Total Liabilities	<b>\$393,840,927</b>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>	
Invested in Capital Assets	353,782,346
Restricted	154,032,386
Unrestricted	306,753,749
Total Net Assets	<b>\$814,568,481</b>

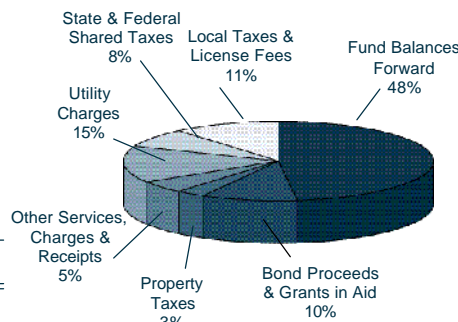
# 2003-2004 City of Chandler Financial Report Summary (cont.)

## City of Chandler Budget for Fiscal Year 2003-2004

### Where the Money Comes From:

Local Taxes & License Fees	\$ 63,346,981
State & Federal Shared Taxes	49,238,443
Utility Charges	93,092,101
Other Services, Charges & Receipts	32,891,390
Property Taxes	20,764,445
Bond Proceeds & Grants in Aid	60,336,836
Fund Balances Forward	287,700,429

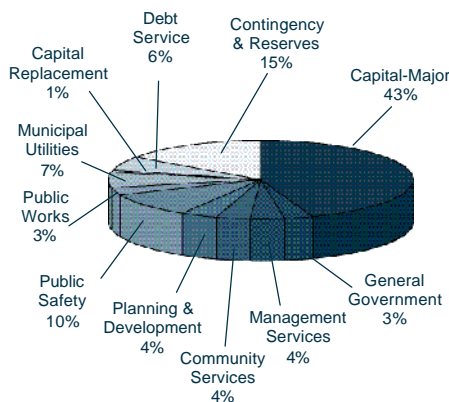
**Total** **\$ 607,370,625**



### Where the Money Goes:

General Government	\$ 19,793,561
Management Services	21,311,964
Community Services	22,213,080
Planning & Development Services	23,429,150
Public Safety	61,106,368
Public Works	17,728,770
Municipal Utilities	39,989,692
Capital Replacement	4,584,897
Debt Service	35,546,789
Contingency & Reserves	92,366,976
Capital - Major	269,299,378

**Total** **\$ 607,370,625**



## City of Chandler Budget for Fiscal Year 2004-2005

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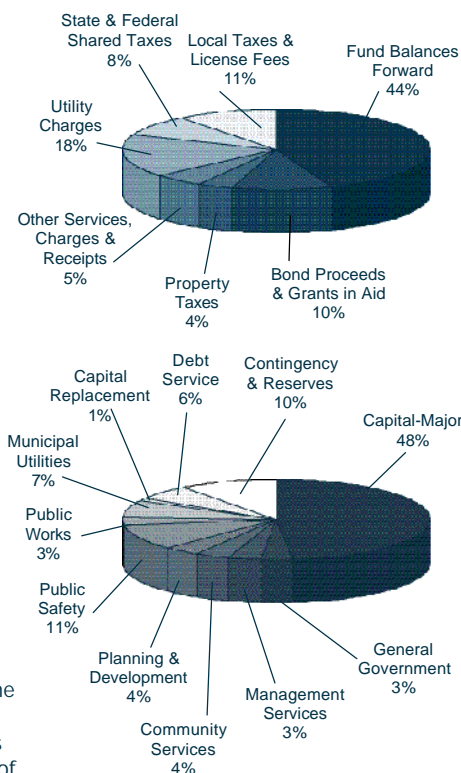
Local Taxes & License Fees	\$ 67,870,907
State & Federal Shared Taxes	52,192,217
Utility Charges	110,970,381
Other Services, Charges & Receipts	34,350,293
Property Taxes	23,016,402
Bond Proceeds & Grants in Aid	66,362,030
Fund Balances Forward	281,698,597

**Total** **\$ 636,460,827**

### Where the Money Goes:

General Government	\$ 21,124,071
Management Services	21,603,070
Community Services	22,272,420
Planning & Development Services	25,523,861
Public Safety	65,544,905
Public Works	18,653,685
Municipal Utilities	45,349,857
Capital Replacement	6,219,350
Debt Service	38,188,552
Contingency & Reserves*	64,753,847
Capital - Major	307,227,209

**Total** **\$ 636,460,827**



\*Contingency funds and reserves are one-time revenues comprised of various funds of which the majority are restricted in their use. These funds can be used for unanticipated revenue shortfalls or unforeseen or emergency expenditures. Use of these funds requires Council approval.

### SUMMARY OF 2004-05 BUDGETED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

<b>General Government</b>	\$ 0
<b>Community Services</b>	
Parks/Recreation	7,192,530
<b>Public Safety</b>	
Police	0
Fire	1,978,472
<b>Municipal Utilities</b>	
Solid Waste	69,300
Water	58,092,890
Wastewater	15,934,900
<b>Public Works</b>	
Streets/Traffic	42,037,150
Airport	2,899,500

**\$128,204,742**

## Satisfaction Remains High

Once again, Chandler residents have given their municipal government high overall marks, including an "Excellent" rating of 48.4 percent (based on August 2004 survey results). The overall satisfaction rating (combined responses of "Excellent," "Good," or "Satisfactory") is at 98.3 percent. This matches the highest overall satisfaction rate in the history of the survey. Detailed survey results are available at [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov).

The City of Chandler staff will continue to look for ways to improve services for Chandler residents -- your feedback and support are appreciated. If you have any questions, please call the Communications & Public Affairs Department at (480) 782-4636.



## Libraries Go Wireless

In a fast, on-demand world, the Chandler libraries have stepped up to offer more convenience for customers. Visitors of all four libraries will have fast, wireless Internet access through their own wireless-enabled laptop computer or PDA by the end of March.

All you need is a Chandler Library Card and an assigned PIN. Like the desktop computers, the wireless system will also be monitored by the Internet filtering software used by the Chandler libraries to prevent access to material that may be harmful to minors.

**Downtown Branch** -- 22 S. Delaware St. -- 782-2803

**Hamilton Branch** -- 3700 S. Arizona Ave. -- 782-2828

**Sunset Branch** -- 4930 W. Ray Rd. -- 782-2842

**Basha Branch** -- 5990 S. Val Vista Dr. -- 782-2850

### Policy of Non-Discrimination

The City of Chandler does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities.

Marian Stanley, 55 N. Arizona Place, Suite 301, Chandler, AZ 85225, 480-782-2216, has been designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements contained in the Department of Justice regulations implementing Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), including section 35.107.

Information concerning the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the rights provided thereunder, are available from the ADA coordinator, Marian Stanley.

### Sound Off ... Your Opinion Counts!

Your City officials want public input on how to build a better community. Just fill out this form and return it with your water billing or mail it to: Communications & Public Affairs Department, Mail Stop 604, P.O. Box 4008, Chandler, AZ 85244-4008. Or e-mail your comments to [INFO@ChandlerAZ.gov](mailto:INFO@ChandlerAZ.gov).

*Comments (please print):*

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*Optional (please print):*

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



**Chandler City Council** -- Front row from left: Martin Sepulveda, Mayor Boyd W. Dunn, Matt Orlando. Back row from left: Donna Wallace, Lowell Huggins, Vice Mayor Phillip Westbrooks, Bob Caccamo. The Mayor & Council can be contacted at (480) 782-2200.

### Public Meetings

#### City Council

(480) 782-2180

Usually held the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

#### Planning and Zoning Commission

(480) 782-3000

Usually held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers

City Council meetings and study sessions, and Planning and Zoning meetings are televised live on Cable Channel 11 then replayed the following day at 8:30 a.m.

Study sessions are also replayed the following Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

There are additional replays of Council and P&Z meetings at the following times:

Saturday at 9 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Sunday at 10 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Monday at 1 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Public meetings are posted on the City's Web site:

**[www.ChandlerAZ.gov](http://www.ChandlerAZ.gov)**

#### Airport Commission

(480) 782-3540

#### Arts Commission

(480) 917-6859

#### Committee for the Aging

(480) 782-2750

#### Committee for People with Disabilities

(480) 782-2709

#### Cultural Foundation

(480) 782-2676

#### Human Relations Commission

(480) 782-2217

#### Housing & Redevelopment Committee

(480) 782-3207

#### Industrial Development Authority

(480) 782-2315

#### Library Board

(480) 782-2800

#### Museum Advisory Board

(480) 782-2752

#### Neighborhood Advisory Committee

(480) 782-2218

#### Parks & Recreation Board

(480) 782-2660

#### Transportation Commission

(480) 782-3440

#### Youth Commission

(480) 782-2712

*In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, this publication can be made available in an alternative format, if requested. It can also be made available in Spanish.*

*Si desea esta información en español por favor llame al teléfono (480) 782-2231.*

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